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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) **TRANSMITTAL**

(INCLUDING FILING FEE AND/OR PETITION FOR **EXTENSION OF TIME FEE)**

Subsection (b) of 35 U.S.C. §132, effective May 29, 2000 provides for continued examination of a utility or plant application filed on or after June 8, 1995. See The American Inventors Protection Act of 1999 (AIPA)

| To: Commissioner for Patents | | Attorney Docket | Attorney Docket No.:1614.1024 | | | |
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| Alexandria, | VA 22313-1450 | | | | | |
| First Named | Yuji KUMAKURA | | | | | |
| Inventor | | | | | | |
| Application No. | 09/488,019 | Group Art Unit | 2122 | | | |
| Filing Date | January 20, 2000 | Examiner | Chuck O. Kendall | | | |
| CPA Filing Date | | Confirmation No | 3839 | | | |
| Title of Invention | INFORMATION PROCESSOR, METHOD FOR PROCESSING INFORMATION AND COMPUTER-READABLE RECORDING MEDIUM RECORDED WITH PROGRAM CODE FOR CONTROLLING A COMPUTER TO PROCESS INFORMATION | | | | | |
| application. | | | | | | |
| | d under 37 C.F.R. §1.114 (B | ox a or b must be comple | eted) | | | |
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| Miscellaneous | | | | | | |
| a. Suspension of | action on the above-identified app hs. (Period of suspension shall not ex | | | | | |
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| Since an Official Action set an original due date of April 26, 2004, | | | | | | | | |
| petition is hereby made for an extension of time to cover the date this | | | | | | | | |
| RCE is filed, for which the requisite fee is enclosed (2 months (\$420)) | | | | | | | | |
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| Total of above Calculations = | | | | \$ | 1190.00 | | | |
| Reduction by 50% for filing by small entity (Note 37 C.F.R. 1.9, 1.27, 1.28). | | | | | | | | |
| TOTAL FEES DUE = | | | | | 1190.00 | | | |
| 4. Small entity status: a. Verified Statement Claiming Small Entity Status. b. A Verified Statement Claiming Small Entity Status was previously filed and such status is still proper and desired. c. is no longer claimed. 5. Other: | | | | | | | | |
| 6. METHOD OF PAYMENT ☐ A check in the amount of \$ 1190.00 is enclosed. | | | | | | | | |
| Charge "TOTAL FEES DUE" to Deposit Account No. 19-3935. (A duplicate copy of this form is enclosed.) | | | | | | | | |
| 7. GENERAL | | | | | | | | |
| The Commissioner is hereby authorized to credit any overpayment or charge any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. 1.16 (filing fees) or 37 C.F.R. 1.17 (processing fees) during the prosecution of this application and of any related application(s) claiming benefit hereof pursuant to 35 U.S.C. §120 to maintain pendency hereof and of any such related application to: Deposit Account No. 19-3935. | | | | | | | | |
| 8. CORRESPONDENCE ADDRESS | | | | | | | | |
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| 9. SIGNATURE OF ATTORNEY OR AGENT REQUIRED | | | | | | | | |
| NAME | Mehdi Sheikerz | | REGISTRATION | ON NO. | 41,307 | | | |
| SIGNATURE | Nellst | 1/6 | DATE | June | 2 25, 2004 | | | |

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In re the Application of:

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Examiner: Chuck O. Kendall

For:

INFORMATION PROCESSOR, METHOD FOR PROCESSING INFORMATION AND COMPUTER-READABLE RECORDING MEDIUM RECORDED WITH PROGRAM CODE FOR CONTROLLING A COMPUTER TO PROCESS INFORMATION

RESPONSE

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

A final Office Action was mailed on January 26, 2004 setting a period for response due on April 26, 2004. An After Final Amendment was filed on April 26, 2004. An Advisory Action was mailed on June 2, 2004 in response to the After Final Amendment filed April 26, 2004, in which the Examiner indicated by checking box 2(a) that the proposed after final claim amendments of April 26, 2004 will not be entered, because they raised new issues that would require further consideration and/or search. The Advisory Action of June 2, 2004 also included a Continuation Sheet, in which the Examiner noted "that the claims have been amended extensively without pairing and describing where it its being supported from in the specification as originally filed."

Therefore, this Response is in response to the Advisory Action of April 26, 2004, and, in particular, in response to the Examiner's comments in the Advisory Action Continuation Sheet concerning support in the specification for the after final claim amendments of April 26, 2004. A Request for Continued Examination (RCE) is filed concurrently herewith along with a Petition for a 2-month extension of time, together with the requisite fee for same, thereby extending the period for response to June 26, 2004. This Response is timely filed by June 26, 2004.

Entry and consideration of the After Final Amendment under 37 CFR 1.116 of April 26, 2004, and consideration of the remarks submitted herein in response to the Examiner's comments in the Advisory Action Continuation Sheet is respectfully requested.

If there are any additional fees associated with filing of this Response, please charge the same to our Deposit Account No. 19-3935.